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INTERNATIONAL PRELIMINARY REPORT ON PATENTABILITY

(Chapter II of the Patent Cooperation Treaty)

(PCT Article 36 and Rule 70)



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1. This report is the international preliminary examination report, established by this International Preliminary Examining Authority under Article 35 and transmitted to the applicant according to Article 36.

2. This REPORT consists of a total of 4 sheets, including this cover sheet.

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- (sent to the applicant and to the International Bureau) a total of _____ sheets, as follows:
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 - sheets which supersede earlier sheets, but which this Authority considers contain an amendment that goes beyond the disclosure in the international application as filed, as indicated in item 4 of Box No. I and the Supplemental Box.
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- Box No. I Basis of the report.
- Box No. II Priority
- Box No. III Non-establishment of opinion with regard to novelty, inventive step and industrial applicability
- Box No. IV Lack of unity of invention
- Box No. V Reasoned statement under Article 35(2) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement
- Box No. VI Certain documents cited
- Box No. VII Certain defects in the international application
- Box No. VIII Certain observations on the international application

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Box No. I Basis of the report

1. With regard to the language, this report is based on the international application in the language in which it was filed, unless otherwise indicated under this item.

This report is based on translations from the original language into the following language English, which is the language of a translation furnished for the purposes of:

- international search (under Rules 12.3 and 23.1(b))
- publication of the international application (under Rule 12.4)
- international preliminary examination (under Rules 55.2 and/or 55.3)

2. With regard to the elements of the international application, this report is based on (replacement sheets which have been furnished to the receiving Office in response to an invitation under Article 14 are referred to in this report as "originally filed" and are not annexed to this report):

the international application as originally filed/furnished

the description:
pages _____ received by this Authority on _____ as originally filed/furnished
pages* _____ received by this Authority on _____

the claims:
pages _____ as originally filed/furnished
pages* _____ received by this Authority on _____ as amended (together with any statement) under Article 19
pages* _____ received by this Authority on _____
pages* _____ received by this Authority on _____

the drawings:
pages _____ as originally filed/furnished
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the sequence listing and/or any related table(s) - see Supplemental Box Relating to Sequence Listing.

3. The amendments have resulted in the cancellation of:

the description, pages _____
 the claims, Nos. _____
 the drawings, sheets _____
 the sequence listing (specify) : _____
 any table(s) related to sequence listing (specify) : _____

4. This report has been established as if (some of) the amendments annexed to this report and listed below had not been made, since they have been considered to go beyond the disclosure as filed, as indicated in the Supplemental Box (Rule 70.2(c)).

the description, pages _____
 the claims, Nos. _____
 the drawings, sheets _____
 the sequence listing (specify) : _____
 any table(s) related to sequence listing (specify) : _____

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Box No. V Reasoned statement under Article 35(2) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement**1. Statement**

Novelty (N)	Claims	1-7	YES
	Claims		NO
Inventive step (IS)	Claims	1-7	YES
	Claims		NO
Industrial applicability (IA)	Claims	1-7	YES
	Claims		NO

2. Citations and explanations (Rule 70.7)

Claims 1-7 of this invention relate to a mucous vaccine adjuvant composition containing bacteria-originated flagellin gene which helps immunogenicity of antigens.

The following document have been considered for the purpose of this report:

D1=J Immunol. 2002 Oct 1;169(7):3914-9

1. Novelty and Inventive Step

Document D1, which was published prior to the filing date of the present application, discloses a flagellin utilized as a adjuvants. The adjuvant effect for flagellin has important implications for vaccine development and the generation of CD4 T cell responses to enteric bacteria.

D1 reported recombinant immunogens having the adjuvanticity induced by flagellin

Although D1 reported usage of flagellin as a adjuvant, this invention provides the specific sequence of epitope.

A skilled person in the art can not anticipate specific sequence of the flagellin as a epitope.

Also this invention suggested substituting the genes encoding various immunogen epitopes for a part of the genes present between the N-terminal and the C-terminal of the structural genes of bacterial flagellins binding to TLR-5.

Therefore, the subject-matter of claim 1-7 involve an novelty and inventive step.

[PCT Article 33(2, 3)]

2. Industrial applicability.

The subject matter of claims 1-7 is considered to be industrially applicable. [PCT Article 33(4)]

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Supplemental Box Relating to Sequence Listing

Continuation of Box No. I, item 2:

1. With regard to any nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence disclosed in the international application and necessary to the claimed invention, this report was established on the basis of:

a. type of material

a sequence listing
 table(s) related to the sequence listing

b. format of material

on paper
 in electronic form

c. time of filing/furnishing

contained in the international application as filed
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3. Additional comments: